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**Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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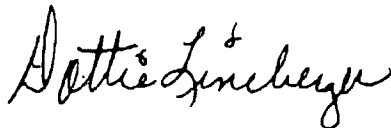
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing you today to express my opinion in regards to the Microsoft settlement. The settlement that was reached in November is fair and thorough. I believe the settlement will serve in the best public interest.

Microsoft has agreed to carry out all provisions of this settlement. Microsoft has agreed to grant computer makers broad new rights to configure Windows so as to promote non-Microsoft programs that compete with programs included within Windows. Computer makers will now be free to remove the means by which consumers access various features of Windows Media Player, and Windows Messenger. Microsoft has also agreed to be monitored by a technical oversight committee.

This settlement will benefit the economy and consumers. Please support this settlement. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dottie Lineberger". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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